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The Maine Department of Public Safety (DPS) is made up of nine bureaus: Maine State Police, Office of State Fire Marshal, Bureau of Liquor Enforcement, Maine Drug Enforcement Agency, Maine Criminal Justice Academy, Bureau of Highway Safety, Capitol Security, Emergency Medical Services and Emergency Services Communication Bureau (E911). The department was established by the legislature in 1971 (MRSA Title 5, Chapter 351, Section 2901) and became a separate state department in 1972.

Michael F. Kelly has served as Commissioner since March, 1998; following his appointment by Governor King and confirmation by the Maine State Senate. Commissioner Kelly came to state government following 22 years with the Lewiston Police Department, where he rose through the ranks to serve as police chief from 1994 to 1998.

In addition to the Commissioner, the Commissioner's Office consists of an assistant to the commissioner, a public information officer and an administrative secretary. Administrative Services also falls under the Commissioner with a staff of eighteen overseeing budgetary, financial, human resources, administrative support for DPS and criminal justice grants. Administrative Services also provides support for the Maine Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management, as a result of the 1996 Productivity Realization Task Force. The budget for the Commissioner's office is \$1,244,847 for fiscal year 2000. The sources of funding are broken down as follows: \$374,548 Highway Fund, \$577,705 General Fund and \$292,534 Special Revenue Fund.

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the following bureau budgets:	
State Police	\$ 40,597,989
Fire Marshal	2,713,114
Liquor Enforcement	1,810,312
Maine Drug Enforcement Agency	2,376,833
Maine Criminal Justice Academy	1,700,076
Highway Safety	2,553,610
Capitol Security	549,677
Emergency Medical Services	1,207,738

5,253,705

1.244.847

**Emergency Services Communication(E911)** 

Commissioner's Office

The total budget for the Department of Public Safety is comprised of

School employee fingerprintng	561,683
TOTAL DPS BUDGET	\$ 60,566,584

Frequently called DPS office phone numbers:

**Commissioner Michael Kelly - 287-3619** 

**Assistant to the Commissioner John Rogers - 287-3043** 

Public Information Officer Stephen McCausland - 287-3040

**Administrative Services Director Roland Leach - 287-3080** 

Fiscal Operations Assistant Director Karen Doyle - 287-1001

Personnel Director David Rankin - 287-3969

Personnel inquires - 287-3967

Payroll Supervisor Lorraine Vaillancourt - 287-8254

**Criminal Justice Grants - 287-3973** 

# **Commissioners of the Maine Department of Public Safety**

Parker F. Hennessey	1972 to 1974
J. Edward Marks	1974 to 1975
Donald E. Nichols	1975 to 1976
Allan H. Weeks, Jr.	1976 to 1979
Arthur A. Stilphen	1979 to 1987
John R. Atwood	1987 to 1994
Alfred R. Skolfield	1994 to 1997
Michael F. Kelly	1998 to present

Commissioners Hennessey, Nichols, Weeks and Skolfield also served at the same time as Colonel of the State Police.

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The Maine State Police is the state's largest police agency with an authorized complement of 350 sworn personnel, ranging from trooper to colonel. As of April 1, 2000, there were 330 positions filled with plans to hire some 20 new troopers to participate in the state law enforcement academy in July, 2001. In addition to the sworn positions, State Police employ 186 persons in non-sworn positions. The largest segment being emergency communications specialists who staff the department's four regional communications centers.

The Chief of the State Police is Colonel Michael R. Sperry, who was nominated by Commissioner Kelly and Governor King in the fall of 1999 and confirmed by the Maine State Senate. Colonel Sperry joined the State Police in 1977 and initially patroled in Somerset County. He served several years in the department's drug unit, and from 1989 to 1999 he served in the southern Criminal Investigation Division, where he was promoted to sergeant and lieutenant, prior to his selection as colonel.

The Deputy Chief is Lt. Colonel Jeffrey D. Harmon, who joined the state police in 1982. Lt. Colonel Harmon's initial patrol area was Mattawamkeag. He later served in the criminal division as a detective and sergeant. Promotions to lieutenant and major brought him to headquarters, and he has been deputy chief since late 1999.

Two majors complete the top command of the State Police: Major Charles N. Love oversees the eight field troops and the criminal division, and Major Robert A. Williams oversees all other divisions. Major Love joined the State Police in 1970 and spent the majority of his career in the criminal division. Major Williams joined the department in 1984 and patrolled the majority of his career in Troop C-Skowhegan.

The state police were established in 1925 by the Maine Legislature as a separate state agency. The agency's roots date back to 1921 with the formation of the State Highway Police, which worked under the supervision the State Highway Commission. Since 1941, State Police Headquarters has been located at 36 Hospital Street in Augusta.

The total state police budget (fiscal year 2001) is \$40,597,989 broken down into the following accounts:

\$12,326,316 general fund 18,376,391 highway fund 424,866 special fund

128,487 federal fund

3,223,787 2,995,185	special fund (Maine Turnpike Authority) special fund (commercial vehicle enforcement)
785,499	highway fund (Traffic Division)
882,921	highway fund ( motor vehicle inspection)
892,954	licensing and enforcement
561,583	school employee fingerprinting

Chiefs of the Maine State F	Police:
Chief Arthur H. Field	1925 to 1927
General James W. Hanson	1927 to 1936
Captain Wilbur H. Towle	1936 to 1938
General John W. Healy	1938 to 1941
Chief Henry P. Weaver	1941 to 1943
Chief Laurence C. Upton	1943 to 1948
Colonel Francis J. McCabe	1948 to 1954
<b>Colonel Robert Marx</b>	1954 to 1966
Colonel Parker F. Hennessey	1966 to 1974
Colonel Donald E. Nichols	1974 to 1976
Colonel Allan H. Weeks, Jr.	1976 to 1987
Colonel Andrew E. Demers, Jr.	1987 to 1993
Colonel Alfred R. Skolfield	1993 to 1997
Colonel Malcolm T. Dow	1997 to 1999
Colonel Michael R. Sperry	1999 to present

### STATE POLICE TROOPS

TROOP A
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Troop A covers York County and the town of Porter in Oxford County. The troop consisting of a lieutenant, 3 sergeants, 12 troopers and a secretary handled over 5500 calls for service in 2000. The troop arrested 110 drunk drivers and charged 362 people with drug violations. During the year the troop covered three motor vehicle fatalities and 398 total crashes. There were 727 criminal complaints, 1871 traffic complaints and 2970 other calls for service.

Troop A solved several burglaries during 2000 that involved extensive investigations and resulted in several arrests. Overall the troop has a 36% reduction in burglaries, 9% reduction in thefts, 9% reduction in assaults while their total calls increased.

Troop A worked with several communities to impact problem areas. In Limington residents and the owner of a mobilehome park worked with troopers to clean up the park, give away bicycle helmets and smoke detectors, removed abandoned vehicles and significantly reduced police calls in that area.

During 2000, Troop A issued 3207 summonses, a 47% increase from 1999. In addition the troop issued 4847 warnings and 3039 defective vehicle warnings.

TROOP B
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Gray, ME 04039
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Commanding Officer Lt. Ronald C. Harmon
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Troop B is responsible for Cumberland, Oxford and Androscoggin Counties. The troop also patrols the 28 miles of Interstate 295 and 95 from Scarborough to Brunswick. The troop consists of a lieutenant , three sergeants and 28 troopers.

During 2000, Troop B handled 15,301 calls for service, an increase of 152 calls from 1999. Included in those calls were 7,126 traffic incidents; 1611 criminal incidents; 6478 civil and other public services and 72 drug investigations. During the year, the troop covered seven motor vehicle

fatalities and 349 personal injury crashes. Troopers spent a considerable amount of their patrol time with drunk driving enforcement and 227 persons were charged with operating under the influence.

Troop B continued its call sharing agreements with the Oxford and Androscoggin County Sheriff's Departments to coordinate coverage between deputies and troopers. During 2000, Troop B assisted with traffic support for the Tall Ship event in Portland, and the National Family Motor Coach Association summer rally at the Brunswick Naval Air Station. Troop B also assisted the US Secret Service in the fall of 2000 with security and motorcade support for several campaign appearances by the candidates for President and Vice President.

TROOP C
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Skowhegan, ME 04976
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Troop C is responsible for law enforcement activities in Somerset and Franklin Counties, and northern Kennebec County. The geographic area is approximately 6,310 square miles. The Troop also patrols the 45 mile stretch of Interstate 95 from Augusta to Newport.

The Troop has a complement of one lieutenant, three sergeants, a troop detective, 24 troopers, along with a secretary and a custodian.

During 2000, Troop C handled 11,589 calls for service. A number that was consistent with 1999. There were 1,292 motor vehicle crashes, including 10 fatalities. There were 297 crashes with personal injury and 995 with property damage only.

Troop C issued 7,326 summons, 12,302 warnings and 2,393 defect cards. In the area of drunk driving enforcement; 265 persons were charged with operating under the influence. Troopers also issued 1,317 warnings and 362 summons for child safety seat and seat belt violations.

In addition to enforcement numbers, the Troop continues to maintain call sharing agreements with the Sheriff's Departments of Franklin and Kennebec Counties. The Troop also continues to work with the school districts in presenting a school violence program and providing canines to schools for drug searches. Troop C personnel worked with other agencies in distributing the Child ID Kits and the troop has taken an aggressive stance against drivers under the influence of drugs by having troopers trained as drug recognition experts, known as DREs.

A major event the troop was involved with was the late December, 2000 plane crash in Rangeley that killed international banker and Colby College benefactor Edson Mitchell and Rangeley pilot Steven Dean. Troopers helped

coordinate the search efforts for the plane that crashed into the side of a mountain.

In an act of Bravery, Sergeant Richard Golden shot and killed burglary suspect Linwood Steward in Bingham after he fired on officers following a chase and later used a young girl as a human shield. No one else was injured in the incident.

TROOP D
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Thomaston, ME 04861
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Commanding Officer - Lt. Jeffrey C. Trafton
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Troop D is responsible for the mid-coast area of Maine to include Waldo, Knox, Lincoln, Sagadahoc Counties and the southern half of Kennebec County. The troop also patrols Interstate 95 from Brunswick to Gardiner. The Troop's personnel include a lieutenant, three sergeants, 23 troopers, a troop detective, secretary and a custodian.

During the year, the troop handled 10,143 calls for service. Major events in the year included traffic control assistance to the Brunswick Police Department with the giant rally of the Family Motor Coach Association at the Brunswick Naval Air Station where 9000 motor coaches attended. In September, the troop worked with the Bath Police and Sagadahoc Sheriff's Departments to maintain order during the union strike at Bath Iron Works. Working with the Knox County Sheriff's Department, the troop also returned to regular patrols on the islands of Vinalhaven and Northhaven during the summer influx of population.

TROOP E
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Orono, ME 04473
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Commanding officer - Lt. Herbert R. Morse
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Troop E is responsible for Penobscot and Piscataquis counties and for patrolling the 107 miles of Interstate 95 from Newport to Sherman. The troop consists of a lieutenant, three sergeants, 24 troopers and a secretary. Also working out of the Orono barracks are eleven emergency communication specialists, a mechanic and a radio technician.

During 2000, Troop E handled 13,103 calls for service, a three percent increase over the 12,721 calls in 1999. Call sharing agreements with the

Penobscot and Piscataquis County Sheriffs Departments continued. Those two agreements assist in coordinating police coverage between troopers and deputies in the two counties.

Traffic enforcement devoted a large part of troop activities and 147 drunk driving arrests were made by troopers during the year. The troop investigated 1296 motor vehicle crashes, including seven fatalities and 383 with personal injury.

Renovations were completed during the year to expand the regional communications center that operates at the Orono barracks in anticipation of E911 service implementation in 2001.

TROOP F
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Houlton, ME 04730-3565
Phone 532-5400
FAX 532-5455
Commanding Officer - Lt. Barry W. Smith e-mail address-barry.w.smith @state.me.us

Troop F consists of a lieutenant, three sergeants, 19 troopers, a secretary and a custodian. The troop is responsible for Aroostook County and the extreme northern sections of Somerset, Piscataquis and Penobscot Counties. In addition the troop patrols Interstate 95 from Sherman to the Canadian border in Houlton. Also working out of the new Houlton public safety building is the regional communications center, staffed by a sergeant, a communication supervisor and five emergency communication specialists, detectives assigned to the northern criminal division, a radio technician and a mechanic.

During 2000, troopers arrested 139 drunk drivers and investigated 846 motor vehicle crashes. Of those crashes 7 were fatalities and 252 resulted in personal injury. During 2000 Troop F covered a total of 8,929 incidents, compared to 6,693 a decade earlier.

From 1938 to November of 2000, Troop F was housed in a wooden frame barracks alongside Route 1. Construction began in 1999 on a new facility to house State Police and a number of other state agencies. The new building that cost \$1.5 million was completed in the fall of 2000 and Troop F moved into the new facility on November 7, 2000. Six days later, the old barracks was torn down, having served the State Police for 62 years. Other agencies with offices in the new building are warden service, liquor enforcement, fire marshal, forestry, probation and parole, juvenile intake, and the Maine Drug Enforcement Agency.

During 2000, Troop F initiated a school violence training program with school districts across the county.

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Commanding officer - Lt. Randall T. Nichols
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Troop G provides 24-hour patrol coverage for the 110 miles of the Maine Turnpike from the Piscataqua River Bridge in Kittery to Augusta. Troop G has an authorized complement of a lieutenant, four sergeants, 30 troopers and a secretary. The troop's main office is located at Crosby Farm, along the turnpike at mile 43.8 in South Portland. Field offices are located at the York and West Gardiner turnpike maintenance facilities.

The \$3.2 million dollar annual operating budget of Troop G is funded entirely by the Maine Turnpike Authority from toll revenues. During 2000, 70 million vehicles used the turnpike, making it the state's most heavily traveled highway. In addition to routine traffic and criminal enforcement, Troop G concentrates on drug traffickers in cooperation with federal Drug Enforcement Administration and the Maine Drug Enforcement Agency. Troopers were involved during the year in numerous felony traffic stops of suspected interstate drug traffickers . The troop responded to 10,453 calls for service in 2000, including 1,400 reported traffic crashes, 697 criminal cases, and 221 drug seizures. There were 5 fatal crashes, 217 crashes with personal injury, and 724 with property damage. A troop investigator was added during the year to oversee major criminal and traffic investigations, intelligence gathering and coordination with federal, state and local agencies.

Troop G's traffic enforcement program makes use of aircraft, marked and unmarked cruisers, and laser and radar speed measuring technology. Troopers issued 42,150 traffic citations, warnings and defective equipment cards on the turnpike, assisted over 7,000 disabled motorists, and arrested 250 drunk or drugged drivers. The effort to identify and apprehend aggressive drivers has been enhanced by the addition of four unmarked patrol cars. Citizen use of cellular phones to report dangerous drivers, traffic accidents and criminal activity has enhanced troop responsiveness to these incidents. Troopers voice highway safety messages regularly at 1610 on the AM radio dial, the turnpike's highway advisory radio system. At the request of the turnpike authority, greater emphasis has been placed at construction zone and toll booth areas for speed enforcement. Increased attention has also been given to toll evaders. The turnpike has installed cameras in some toll lanes to record the registration numbers of toll violators for administrative action.

Commercial vehicle enforcement is a priority and is conducted in cooperation with Troop K, the commercial vehicle enforcement unit, with special emphasis on detecting hazardous violations and tired truckers. To assist with that effort, nine troopers completed the 40-hour North American Standard Truck Inspection Course.

During 2000, the turnpike authority began its five year widening project to increase from four to six lanes the roadway from mile 12 to mile 42. During the first year the first five miles and the last two were completed, with the work to continue through 2005. Those improvements will include: increasing the outside shoulders from 8 to 12 feet; creating more gradual side slopes and building wider bridges. Troop G has a major role throughout the project with enforcement efforts and traffic direction within construction areas. The widening project during 2001 is likely to be the most challenging with construction commencing on a six-mile section between Exit 5 in Saco to Exit 6 in Scarborough, and also eight bridge reconstruction projects.

TROOP J
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Commanding officer - Lt. Wesley D. Hussey
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Troop J is responsible for Hancock and Washington Counties. The troop's main office is located on Rt. 191 in East Machias and the troop maintains field offices in Hancock and Calais. Troop J consists of a lieutenant, 3 sergeants, 15 troopers and a secretary.

Total calls by Troop J in 2000 totaled 6,140. Of those calls 1,382 were criminal, 1,610 were traffic related, 47 had drug involvement, and 3,101 were civil or other public services. Troop J arrested 64 persons for operating under the influence during the year, and investigated 5 motor vehicle fatalities and 224 with personal injury.

The troop worked with the Washington County Sheriff's Department, the Peaceful Choices domestic violence project, the district attorneys office, probation and parole along with three domestic violence coalitions to develop and implement a grant to create a domestic violence investigator in Washington County. Another program the troop pursued is securing grant funding to develop a rapid response program to assist children involved in traumatic situations. The Catholic Charities of Maine is assisting the troop with that project.

Troop J was the first state police troop to enter into a call sharing agreement with a sheriff's department and the troop continues to maintain that working relationship with the Hancock County Sheriff's Department. Since 1996, Hancock County has been divided into patrol slots, each being covered by deputies and troopers. This has eliminated the duplication of police services in the county and coordinated the coverage between the two agencies.

### CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION

The state police criminal investigation division (C.I.D.) is responsible for major criminal investigations including homicides, suspicious deaths and child abuse cases. C.I.D. investigates all homicides in Maine with the exceptions of the cities of Portland and Bangor. All homicides in the state are prosecuted by the Maine Attorney Generals Office and detectives work closely with those prosecutors.

The criminal division of the state police is divided into three sections (northern, central and southern), each headed by a lieutenant and two sergeants.

### 2000 homicides

Maine recorded the lowest number of homicides during 2000 since the state began keeping detailed records in 1971. There were eleven homicides reported during the year, along with three older homicides that were discovered during the year after the victims bodies were uncovered during 2000. The previous safest year for homicides had been 1993 when 16 deaths were reported. The worst year ever in Maine was 1989 with 40 homicides.

The murder case that attracted the most attention during 2000 was the serial murders committed by James Hicks. Hicks had been convicted of killing his first wife in Maine in 1984, but served only six years in prison. Jennie Hicks disappaeared from the couple's home in 1977 and Hicks was the first person ever convicted of murder in 1984, in which the body of his victim was not found. Hicks also had been a suspect in the disappearances of two other women – Jerilyn Towers of Newport in 1982 and Lynn Willette of Orrington in 1996.

In a bizarre twist, Hicks found himself sitting in a Texas prison in April of 2000 for attacking and robbing a Texas woman. Facing 55 years in prison, Hicks contacted State Police Detective Joseph Zamboni and agreed to confess to the murders of the Maine women and lead police to their bodies. He was returned to Maine in October and lead police to the burial sites of all three women. In December he pled guilty to the homicides and received two life sentences.

The three C.I.D. sections of the state police:

CID I - Southern Division
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Commanding Officer - Lt. Brian T. McDonough
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CID I has 14 detectives covering York, Cumberland, Oxford, Franklin and Androscoggin Counties.

CID II - Central Division 18 Meadow Road State House Station #104 Augusta, ME 04333 phone 287-7502 Commanding Officer - Lt. Timothy S. Doyle E-mail address - timothy.s.doyle@state.me.us

CID II has 11 detectives covering Kennebec, Somerset, Waldo, Knox, Lincoln and Sagadahoc Counties.

CID III- Northern Division 106 Hogan Road Bangor, ME 04401 phone 941-4071 Commanding Officer - Lt. J. Darrell Ouellette E-mail address - j.darrell.ouellette@state.me.us

CID III has 15 detectives covering Penobscot, Piscataquis, Hancock, Washington and Aroostook Counties. In addition, one detective is assigned to the Violent Crimes Task Force, working out of the US Attorney's Office in Bangor.

Polygraph Unit Sgt. Douglas W. Parlin - 657-5712 E-Mail address - douglas.w.parlin@state.me.us The unit is comprised of four polygraph examiners and a unit supervisor. Each of the examiners are assigned to one of the three criminal investigation divisions. Two examiners are assigned to CID III, one who works out of the new Houlton building and the other administers examinations at the CID III office in Bangor. An examiner is assigned to CID II and is based at the crime lab. One examiner is assigned to CID I and conducts polygraphs at the Gray and Alfred Barracks.

Each examiner is a certified graduate of the Canadian Police College polygraph examiners course and has extensive training in polygraph testing, interview and interrogation, and statement analysis. The unit provides its services to all Maine law enforcement agencies, not only for forensic testing, but also for pre-employment applicant screening.

During 2000, the polygraph unit conducted 305 examinations, 137 of which were administered in State Police cases or for State Police applicants. The largest portion of forensic examinations were administered in sexual assault cases, followed by property crimes and deaths. The unit's confession/admission rate was an impressive 62%.

### Maine's Homicides in 2000

- 1-7, South Portland, 49 year old Richard Fagone struck in the head with a baseball bat and dies. Albert Cardente III, 33, is charged with manslaughter.
- 3-26, Bingham, 52 year old Karl Stone Goeman is bludgeoned to death with ax and rifle butt. Bruce Morris, 52, a friend, is charged with murder.
- 4-5, St. Agatha, 59 year old Leonard Daigle is shot and killed while sitting in his living room by his friend, 61 year old Marc Bard, who shoots and kills himself. Bard had been served with divorce papers that evening and Mrs. Bard was staying at the Daigle home. Murder-Suicide (domestic)
- 7-1, Swanville, Brenda Gray-Knost, 37, is shot and killed by a former boyfriend, 47 year old John Johnston, after he broke into her home. Johnston then shoots and kills himself. Murder-Suicide (domestic)
- 7-7, Township 10, 26 year old Robert Leighton is shot to death at his home. His longtime girlfriend, Malia Lowry, 45, is charged with murder. (domestic)
- 8-16. Winthrop, Frank Perkins Sr, 58, is shot and killed by his 25 year old son, Frank Perkins Jr. who shoots and kills himself. Murder-Suicide (domestic)
- 8-27, Farmington, 17 year old Heather Hayden dies in a fire at a mobile home. Her roommate, 17 year old Crystal Spinney is charged with arson, murder and manslaughter.
- 9-3, Greenbush. Linda Grindal, 39, is shot and killed by her husband, 39 year old Robert Grindal, who shoots and kills himself. Murder-Suicide (domestic)
- 9-13, Calais, 74 year old Chester Doudey is beaten to death and robbed. Charged with murder are Justiliano Sanchez and Jonathan Pineda, both 20 and from Calais.
- 10-27, Westbrook, 21 year old Brandon Feyler is stabbed to death. His friend, 23 year old Anthony Osborne is charged with murder.
- 12-15, Camden, 29 year old Kimberly Palmer is shot to death by her boyfriend,
- 49 year old Paul Turnbull, who shoots and kills himself. Murder-Suicide (domestic)

In addition -- three bodies were located during 2000 that had previously been listed as missing persons. All were homicide victims.

From 1989 -- the body of Joseph Cloak Jr. of Ellsworth was recovered from a grave in Bradford on November 30.

From 1982 -- the body of Jerilyn Towers of Newport was recovered from a shallow grave in Etna on October 12. James Hicks plead guilty and was sentenced to life.

From 1996 -- the body of Lynn Willette of Orrington was recovered from a site in Folkstown Township on October 13. James Hicks plead guilty and was sentenced to life.

Here is a breakdown of the Maine homicides since 1990:

There were 247 homicides since 1990, with 126 domestic violence related (51%). Of those 126 victims, 66 were women and 31 were children.

	total homicides	domestic	percentage
1990	29	11	38%
1991	22	9	40%
1992	25	16	64%
1993	16	11	<b>69</b> %
1994	28	12	46%
1995	20	10	<b>50</b> %
1996	25	13	<b>52</b> %
1997	19	6	31%
1998	26	15	<b>57</b> %
1999	25	16	64%
2000	11**	8**	<b>57</b> %**

<sup>\*\*</sup>three other homicides occurred in 1982, 1989 and 1996, but the bodies of the victims were located in 2000

TRAFFIC DIVISION - TROOP K
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The Traffic Division is the largest troop in the state police with a lieutenant, six sergeants, 31 troopers, 13 motor carrier inspectors, a motor carrier supervisor and six clerical staff.

**Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Unit (CVEU)** 

This unit is responsible for enforcing the size and weight regulations for the thousands of commercial trucks that travel in Maine and the drivers who operate them. CVEU is staffed with 4 sergeants, 19 troopers, 13 motor carrier inspectors, a motor carrier supervisor, a hazardous material specialist and a secretary.

53,285 commercial vehicles were checked during the year at roadside inspections and the many weigh stations around the state, and 13,009 of those vehicles were also weighed. In addition logbooks were also checked to insure compliance with federal hours of service regulations. 11,378 summons were issued during 2000 resulting in fines of just over \$2.7 million.

CVEU has also taken a larger role in the investigation of commercial motor vehicle crashes with many local police and sheriff's departments and fellow troopers calling on the expertise of the unit when truck crashes take place. In addition, Maine law requires CVEU to be involved when a fatality has occurred involving a school bus or commercial vehicles in excess of 10,000 pounds.

Traffic Safety

Maine requires all motor vehicles to undergo a safety inspection once a year. Inspections are conducted at automobile dealerships, service stations and garages. To insure inspection mechanics are complying with the state's many safety provisions, nine troopers conduct annual reviews of their performance and facilities. In addition, troopers personally inspect Maine's school bus fleet each spring and fall. There are about 7000 active licensed inspection mechanics and 2800 inspection stations. Vehicles registered in Cumberland County are also required to undergo an emissions test. Traffic Safety is staffed by a sergeant, nine troopers and two clerical staff.

**Accident Reconstruction and Records** 

Reconstructing an accident involves a close analysis of skid marks, vehicle conditions and location, driver history, and a number of other factors in order to determine the cause of the crash. During 2000, 196 crashes were reconstructed by 18 troopers. Statewide there are 47 certified reconstruction specialists from the local, county and state police ranks. Municipal and county agencies reconstructed another 185 crashes.

State police reconstructionists have five forensic mapping systems that resemble surveying equipment. These devices assist investigators by mapping the locations and drawing the accident scene to scale on computer.

A vehicle autopsy specialist course was held in February, 2000 at Oxford Hills High School and 16 new specialists were trained in post-crash inspections. During 2000, State Police conducted 126 vehicle autopsies.

State Police are the repository for all Maine traffic accident reports and 42,674 were received during the year. Each report is reviewed, coded and processed by the office staff and sent to the Maine Department of Transportation for microfilming and analysis. Accident Reconstruction and Records is staffed by a sergeant, reconstruction specialist and two clerical staff.

# **Fleet Safety Board**

The board reviews each accident involving a state police vehicle to determine if the crash was avoidable. During 2000, 89 fleet crashes were reviewed compared to 135 crashes in 1999. Of the 89 crashes, 35 were judged preventable, 52 were non-preventable and two were determined to be justified.

### **TRAINING**

Maine Criminal Justice Academy 15 Oak Grove Road, Vassalboro, ME 04989 phone 877-8017 Commanding Officer - Lt. Charles H. Howe E-mail address - charles.h.howe@state.me.us

Training is constant in a police organization and the state police conduct training at a number of levels. Operating out of the new academy in Vassalboro the training section is responsible for in-service training for state troopers and overseeing the complex application process for new troopers.

Planning began for the basic law enforcement training program due to start in July 2001 and graduate in November 2001. This class will be made up of municipal and county officers, along with new state troopers. Previously, local and county officers trained separately from troopers. The application process for new troopers began during 2000 with approximately 450 persons submitting an application . The actual number of applicants hired is expected to be less than 20 new troopers.

During the past decade, 204 new troopers have graduated from six separate state police academies:

42nd Training Troop:April, 1990 with 34 graduates from 850 applicants.

43rd Training Troop: November, 1994 with 34 graduates from 1800 applicants.

44th Training Troop: April, 1996 with 43 graduates from 1,661 applicants.

45th Training Troop: December, 1997 with 37 graduates from 1,336 applicants.

46th Training Troop: April, 1999 with 33 graduates from 950 applicants.

47th Training Troop: October, 2000 with 22 graduates from 1,034 applicants.

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The nationally accredited crime laboratory is located at 30 Hospital Street, adjacent to headquarters. Twenty personnel in administrative, technical and clerical positions staff the laboratory. There are five sections: Forensic Biology, Forensic Chemistry, Latent Print, Ballistics and Photography. The forensic scientists in each section perform analyses, write reports and present and defend their findings by testifying as expert witnesses in court.

During 2000 a new fire debris unit was added to the lab by renovating existing space on the second floor. The State Fire Marshals Office (FMO) provided funding for this project. It is part of the forensic chemistry section and will assist the FMO with its investigations. Previously, these analyses were conducted out of state or by private companies at additional cost and time delay. The FMO also provided funding for a chemist to work in this unit.

1915 cases from federal, state, county and municipal law enforcement agencies were submitted to the lab during 2000. Forensic Chemistry Section

This section is responsible for the examination, detection and analysis of various types of physical evidence. The forensic chemists use chemical, serological, microscopic and instrumental analyses to detect, identify and/or compare fibers, paint, hair, glass, adhesives, cosmetics, polymers, gunshot residue, accelerants, accelerant residues and blood and body fluids. These evidence types are commonly collected from victims, suspects, motor

vehicles, crime scenes and fire scenes. Five chemists are assigned to this section.

### **DNA Section**

Four Forensic DNA Analysts and one Forensic Technician staff the DNA section. It is responsible for analyzing DNA from physical evidence and comparing it to samples obtained from victims and suspects. This section also collects, analyzes and stores DNA from convicted felons for future comparison. This database, known as CODIS, has matched nine convicted offenders to thirteen criminal cases in Maine.

### **Latent Print Section**

This section conducts examinations on evidence brought to the laboratory from crime scenes. The section detects, develops, photographs and compares fingerprint, palm, footwear and tire track impressions. Comparison is performed from developed unknown latent impressions to known inked impressions. Unidentified fingerprints are entered into the Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS). The AFIS database consists of over 410,000 criminal fingerprint cards from Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont. AFIS went on line in 1998 and has resulted in the identification of numerous suspects and deceased individuals.

### **Ballistics Section**

Responsible for the examination and comparison of bullets and cartridge cases recovered during criminal investigations to determine whether they were fired from a suspect weapon. Similar to the AFIS program in the latent print section, the ballistics version is known as Drugfire. Each bullet fired from a gun leaves a distinct marking and Drugfire has over 5000 images in its Maine database, as well as thousands of others from across New England. Eventually the system will be linked nationally.

# **Photography Section**

Processes film submitted in connection with various types of criminal investigations, crime scenes, autopsies and latent impressions from fingerprint cases. In 2000, over 4,200 rolls of color film were developed resulting in over 60,000 5x7 color prints. In addition, over 100 rolls of black and white film, and over 4,000 black and white photos were processed. The photo lab is staffed by a photographer, who also taught over 150 hours of instruction to law enforcement officers statewide.

### **SPECIAL SERVICES**

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The Special Services Unit operates out of the public safety building in Gardiner. Special Services oversees the state police air wing, criminal

intelligence, executive protection, gaming & weapons and the bomb, canine, crisis negotiations, underwater recovery and tactical teams. There are approximately 63 personnel assigned to the non-dedicated specialty teams and 23 personnel assigned full-time to the dedicated sections.

Air Wing

Chief Pilot Wayne Ireland - 624-8794

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This section is staffed by two pilots and operates two fixed-wing aircraft, one of which was purchased new in 1998. The air wing conducts surveillance flights, aircraft speed enforcement details and transports personnel in routine and emergency situations.

**Criminal Intelligence** 

Sgt. David Alexander - 624-8787

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Criminal Intelligence is staffed by a sergeant, two field agents and three criminal analysts. It is responsible for obtaining, analyzing and disseminating criminal intelligence information. It also provides covert surveillance and detection equipment to officers in the field, along with technical support and training.

**Executive Protection** 

Sgt. Patrick J. Fleming - 287-3531

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Providing security to the Governor and his family is the responsibility of the Executive Protection Unit. Since his inauguration in January 1995, Governor Angus King has continued to live at his home in Brunswick, rather than at the Blaine House in Augusta, the official governor's residence in Maine. The Governor has provided an apartment in his home to accommodate the detectives who provide round the clock protection and who travel with him in the daily commute to the State House. The unit also provides security to visiting dignitaries and assists Capitol Security with protection details at the State House when the Legislature is in session. Gaming and Weapons

Sgt. Barry G. Hathway - 624-8775

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This section consists of a sergeant, three detectives, two investigators and five clerical personnel. It is responsible for licensing games of chance, investigating illegal gambling activity, issuing permits for concealed firearms and private investigator licenses. In 2000, the section issued 1575 concealed weapon permits to Maine residents and 800 to nonresidents. Licensed during the year were 450 beano organizations, 11,260 games of chance and 145 private investigators.

**Bomb Team** 

Sgt. Frank E. Poirier - 877-8005

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The bomb team has been active since 1994 and consists of five bomb technicians. The team is responsible for investigating actual or suspected explosive devices and were called out 54 times during 2000, five less than the previous year. Of those calls; 16 were suspicious packages, seven actual bombs, seven were disposal of explosives and 16 were military ordinances. Canine Team

Sgt. Michael J. Kaspereen 877-8013

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The year began and ended with 23 working teams of troopers and their dogs, who were involved in 1,313 calls in 2000, the majority either tracking or drug searches. Other calls included, 128 public appearances, 61 bomb searches and 55 building searches. The state police canine school two dog classes and trained eleven new canine teams during the year for state, county and local police agencies.

**Crisis Negotiations Team** 

Sgt. James L. Luce - 624-8785

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This specially trained group of twelve negotiators respond to life threatening incidents such as suicidal threats, barricaded persons or hostage takers. Their goal is to open a line of communication aimed at resolving the situation in a nonviolent manner. The team works in conjunction with the tactical team and responds to most of their calls. During 2000 the negotiations team responded to 30 calls. That compares to 29 calls in 1999, 33 calls in '98, 34 calls in '97 and 25 calls in 1996.

**Underwater Recovery Team** 

Lt. Raymond Bessette - 624-7061

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The dive team consists of ten members—seven from State Police and three from the Maine Marine Patrol. During 2000, the team participated in 23 operational dives consisting of 18 evidence and article recoveries, and 5 body recoveries. The team also conducted eight training sessions to maintain their diving skills.

**Tactical Team** 

Sgt. Richard M. Golden - 474-3350

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The tactical team responds to Maine's most dangerous calls of hostage and barricaded persons. The team consists of seventeen members, augmented by two canine handlers and two medics. During 2000, the team responded to 48 calls, which is their most active year. That compares to 35 calls during 1999. The team devoted several days to training in a variety of different locations and circumstances .

FLEET SERVICES
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The four public safety garages service and maintain 550 vehicles; the majority state police cruisers. The Augusta garage is located in a rented facility at 765 Riverside Drive and staffed by four mechanics, a supervisor and an account clerk. In South Portland, off the Maine Turnpike, the department's garage is staffed by two mechanics. Smaller garages are located at the Orono Barracks and the new Houlton Public Safety Building, each staffed by one mechanic.

Since 1996, Ford Crown Victorias have been used as patrol cars for troopers. In addition to Ford cruisers, administrators and detectives have been issued Chevrolet Impalas.

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Internal Affairs is responsible for insuring that all allegations of misconduct and other alleged violations by members of the State Police are investigated. The unit is staffed by a lieutenant, sergeant, and a secretary. Investigations are completed by the two sworn members or by oversight of investigators assigned at the troop level. During 2000, 105 complaints were reviewed by the unit. Of those, 51 were sustained, 15 were not sustained, 17 were unfounded, 14 were exonerated, and 3 were closed as informational. 5 cases remained open at the time of this report.

COMMUNICATIONS
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State Police maintain four regional communication centers (RCC), 22 transmitter sites and over 100 repeater and base stations. They also serve as the central computer link for Maine police agencies seeking information from the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV), National Crime Information Center (NCIC) and the National Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (NLETS)Regional Communication Centers.

The department's four RCCs operate round-the-clock: GRAY 657-3030 or 1-800-482-0730 AUGUSTA 624-7000 or 1-800-452-4664 ORONO 866-2122 or 1-800-432-7381

# HOULTON 532-5400 or 1-800-924-2261 CELLULAR CALLS – 911 or \*77 (star 77) TELEPHONE DEVICE FOR THE DEAF - 287-4478 (Augusta), 657-5740 (Gray), 866-5805 (Orono) and 532-7576 (Houlton)

E 9-1-1 is now on line and the Augusta and Gray RCC's began receiving those calls during 2000, as well as all wireless 911 calls from the southern part of the state. Orono and Houlton are scheduled for E911 service in late 2001, with Orono becoming the primary public safety answering point (PSAP) for Hancock County, and Houlton becoming the PSAP for Aroostook County. Eventually the \*77 feature mentioned above will be retired, and 911 will be the direct line between cellular phones and the State Police's RCCs.

The Gray RCC is staffed by two supervisors and 16 emergency communications specialists (ECS). During 2000, the Gray RCC received 41,944 calls. The Augusta RCC is staffed by two supervisors, 17 ECSs and handled 31,799 calls. The Orono RCC has one supervisor, eleven ECSs and received 28,037 calls, and the Houlton RCC has one supervisor, five ECSs and handled 16,253 calls.

The RCCs began Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) which allows ECSs to answer medical questions, and 2,199 such calls were answered during 2000. The types of calls ranged from simple inquiries to providing advanced CPR and birth instructions

The radio repair section is staffed by a supervisor and five technicians who service the RCCs, transmitter sites and nearly 800 mobile radios for state police, public safety, Maine Warden Service and Baxter State Park. An ongoing issue has been the radio interference from New Hampshire in York County. A new state police frequency was set up during the year to avoid this interference in radio transmissions. The Maine Telecommunication and Radio Operation is the computer link between Maine police departments; with State Police serving as the central hub. During 2000, there were over 33 million transactions.

# STATE BUREAU OF IDENTIFICATION (SBI)

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The State Bureau of Identification (SBI) is the central repository in Maine for all criminal history records. Currently there are over 500,000 individuals in the files, many with multiple offenses. SBI is located at State Police headquarters and is staffed by seventeen employees.

A master name index was completed in 1999, which lists each name in the system that is backed by a fingerprint supported criminal history. During 2000, SBI received 218,061 requests for criminal history. Those requests came from the criminal justice system, governmental agencies,

nonprofit groups and public and private employers. Plans continue to computerize the criminal history records, which will allow electronic access once completed. Criminal history background checks can be obtained from SBI for a fee of \$8.along with the persons name, date of birth, other names used in the past and a reason for the request. Persons seeking their own criminal history also need to submit a copy of their right index fingerprint.

SBI maintains the state's sex offender registry, which contains the names and addresses of 450 sex offenders. Most sex offenders must register with SBI for 10 years following release from prison. Those classified as a sexual violent predator must update their address every 90 days for the rest of their lives. During 2000 Maine registered 39 individuals as sexual violent predators. Sex offender registry names are available upon request and plans are underway to add them to the DPS web site.

The Brady handgun law requires a criminal check and a five day wait for anyone purchasing a handgun from a gun dealer. In 2000, SBI processed 2289 criminal checks for handgun purchases and 55 convicted felons were found attempting to purchase one.

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Uniform Crime Reporting is responsible for the collection of crime statistics and data from Maine's law enforcement agencies and publishes those findings in its annual "Crime in Maine" report. The most recent publication is for 1998. The 1999 and 2000 editions will be completed in 2001. The recent crime statistics are available on the DPS web site.

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Investigative Records is the repository of criminal and civil investigative reports from the State Police. The reports are entered into a computerized master name index and microfilmed. There are 491,448 names and 194,224 cases currently on file dating back to 1983 and additional names exist on microfilm dating back to 1955. Investigative records also receive requests from insurance companies, other law enforcement agencies, law firms, and the public for copies of reports.

MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (MIS) State House Station 42 Augusta, ME 04333-0042 Director Wayne E. Gallant, 624-7106 E-Mail – wayne.e.gallant@state.me.us

Management Information Systems (MIS) provides information technology services and support to the Department. In addition MIS provides information technology services to other criminal justice agencies in conjunction with the State Police's responsibility as the state's control terminal agency. MIS consists of 16 positions organized into three units; access integrity, technical support, and development services. Recent improvements to the Department's computer system include; upgrade of the state message switch and conversion to National Crime Information Center 2000, assistance with a number of office moves within the Department, Microsoft Office 2000 implementation, network connection for district attorneys, school employee fingerprinting and expanded Internet capability. Other improvements scheduled in the coming year are computerized criminal history, records management system, and a web reporting system for Liquor Enforcement.

Office of State Fire Marshal 397 Water Street, Gardiner mailing address - State House Station 52 Augusta, ME 04333 phone 624-8964, FAX 624-8968

The Office of State Fire Marshal is responsible for investigating all fires causing death or injury, suspicious fires and explosions. The office also oversees an inspection program aimed at identifying and correcting life safety hazards. The central office is made up of the fire marshal, assistant fire marshal, a planning & research associate and three secretaries. Construction of the new arson laboratory was completed in 2000 and a forensic chemist was hired for fire debris analysis. The Bureau has two divisions; Investigation and Prevention. The entire fire marshal budget of \$2,713,114 is funded from fire insurance premiums, fees, permits and inspections.

**Investigation Division** 

The Investigation Division consists of two sergeants, eleven fire investigators and three accelerant detection dogs.

During 2000, the division responded to 400 fires of which 148 were determined to be arson and another 173 were ruled accidental. The division

also responded during the year to 69 fireworks incidents, 28 explosives investigations, 5 LP gas incidents, and 94 others. Investigators also inspected 363 fireworks display sites.

Sgt. Jennifer Mills completed the 11-week FBI National Academy in Quantico, VA. Investigators spent hundreds of hours in classrooms, both as students and teachers. Investigators attended classes at the National Fire Academy and have participated in new and recertification training offered by the Maine Criminal Justice Academy. Investigators have also taught arson awareness and fire cause determination to fire and law enforcement agencies throughout the state.

### **Prevention Division**

The Prevention Division is lead by a supervisor and is staffed by fifteen Public Safety Inspectors and three clerical personnel. It conducted nearly 4000 inspections, mostly of day care and residential care programs. In addition to on-site inspections, construction plans for new buildings are reviewed for compliance with fire and life safety standards as well as the Americans with Disabilities Act and Maine Human Rights Commission rules and regulations. The division also reviews fire sprinkler plans, mechanical rides, above ground storage of flammable liquids and administers an insurance fund established to replace leaking storage tanks.

Through the combined efforts of the Prevention Division and the Department of Human Services, the serious backlog of inspections of licensed facilities has been dramatically reduced during 2000.

				DHS	
	Foster/Day Care	Dance Licenses	Health Care	Inspections	Totals
Androscogin	33	7	37	237	314
Aroostook	13	5	23	251	292
Cumberland	55	51	89	518	713
Franklin	5	12	11	54	82
Hancock	5	19	17	112	153
Kennebec	38	28	38	318	422
Knox	11	9	15	60	95
Lincoln	5	4	16	56	81
Oxford	18	9	19	124	170
Penobscot	47	46	45	382	520
Piscataquis	5	10	5	47	67
Sagadahoc	9	3	5	72	89
Somerset	19	9	27	131	186
Waldo	10	8	10	75	103
Washington	6	5	14	76	101
York	24	66	56	442	588
Totals	303	291	427	2955	3976

In 2000 the plan review section issued 880 construction permits, 665 barrier free permits, 502 sprinkler permits, 8 self-service gas station permits, 59 aboveground flammable liquid storage tank permits and 175 sprinkler licenses.

## **Fire Marshal History**

The State Fire Marshal's Office evolved from their creation in 1937 as the Division of State Fire Prevention, to combat fraudulent insurance claims. On July 1, 1972, the division was transferred to the newly created Department of Public Safety. In 1973 the bureau's name was changed to the Office of State Fire Marshal.

# The following have served in the role of State Fire Marshal:

Director Joseph A.P. Flynn	1939 to 1965
<b>Director &amp; Fire Marshal Charles F. Rogan</b>	1965 to 1975
Fire Marshal Don Bisset	1975 to 1991
Fire Marshal Dennis Lundstedt	1992 to 1995
Fire Marshal Ladd Alcott	1995 to 1998
Fire Marshal John C. Dean	1998 to present

### Maine Fire Deaths - 1950 to 2000

Since 1950, the Office of State Fire Marshal has kept detailed records of fire deaths in the state. The 1990s has been the safest decade, thanks to the prominent use of smoke detectors, improved building codes and increased fire prevention programs by local fire departments.

1950 to 1959 -- 484 deaths 1960 to 1969 -- 493 deaths 1970 to 1979 -- 498 deaths 1980 to 1989 -- 324 deaths 1990 to 1999 - 200 deaths 1990 - 27 1991 - 14 1992 - 28 1993 - 27 1994 - 20 1995 - 12 1996 - 17 1997 - 16 1998 - 15 1999 - 242000 - 17

Maine's deadliest fires since 1950:

March 2, 1950: Monson house fire kills eight (two adults and 6 children)

July 4, 1967: Oxford house fire kills eight (three adults and 5 children) September 20, 1984: Hartland house fire kills five (one adult and 4 children)

Deadliest year for fire deaths was 1967 with 70 deaths Safest year for fire deaths was 1995 with 12 deaths.

MAINE CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY 15 Oak Grove Road Vassalboro, ME 04989 phone - 877-8000 FAX - 877-8027

The Maine Criminal Justice Academy (MCJA) is the central training facility for state, county and municipal law enforcement officers and corrections personnel. The campus is located at the former Oak Grove-Coburn School in Vassalboro. From 1972 until December 28, 2000, MCJA was located on Silver Street in Waterville at the former Thomas College facility.

MCJA has a staff of fourteen and operates on an annual budget of \$1,833,040. The sources of funding for the budget are \$713,646 general fund, \$392,151 federal grants and \$594,279 special revenue (tuition). In addition to the full time personnel, the academy relies on volunteer instructors, mostly from the law enforcement, corrections and criminal justice fields.

During 2000, the academy held three-12 week municipal-county basic police schools, graduating 125 new police officers. In addition, 22 new state troopers were trained as part of the 47th Training Troop, which lasted 20 weeks. Also trained in 2000 were 72 harbormasters, 148 corrections officers, and 291 students took part in the 100-hour pre-service law enforcement course. The majority of the classes took place on the Waterville campus. The academy sponsored 162 specialized schools with 3,775 students and 249 regional classes for another 8,241 students.

New Academy

Since the mid 1980s, academy officials have been looking for a site for a new MCJA campus because of over crowding at the Waterville location. In 1989, the state purchased the former Oak Grove-Coburn School, but a downturn in state finances delayed any renovations to the former prep school and it sat vacant. In 1998, Governor King and the Maine Legislature appropriated \$11,271,203 to renovate the building. Another \$2,000,000 was later appropriated to augment the building fund. Ground breaking took place on September 7, 1999 and over the next 15 months extensive renovations took place to convert the former prep school into a modern

police academy. On December 28, 2000, academy staff completed the move to the new facility and officially transferred operations there. The most significant change at the new facility will occur in July, 2001 for the scheduled opening of the first 18 week basic law enforcement training program to include municipal officers, deputy sheriffs and state troopers. This will be the first time officers from those three levels of law enforcement have trained together. Previously municipal officers and deputies trained together, and troopers were trained separately. Academy Board of Trustees

A seventeen-member board of trustees, appointed by the Governor, oversees MCJA. The board meets regularly to consider training and admissions standards, certification of police and corrections officers, police chiefs and county sheriffs and review disciplinary action of law enforcement and corrections officers.

### **DARE**

The academy is the training site for DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) which teaches students in Maine to resist the temptations and peer pressure to use drugs and alcohol. During 2000, 24 new DARE officers were trained at the academy. There are 134 active DARE officers in the state. Nearly 31,000 students received DARE instruction during 2000.

Bureau of Highway Safety 397 Water St., Gardiner mailing address – State House Station 164 Augusta, ME 04333 phone - 624-8756 FAX - 624-8768

The Bureau of Highway Safety (BHS) promotes safety programs to reduce death and injuries on Maine roads. During 2000 the Bureau had a staff of nine and operated on an annual budget of \$2,553,610 funded from the following sources; \$1,706,174 federal funds, \$542,423 highway funds and \$305,013 matching funds from grants and defensive driving courses.

The Bureau administers a federal grant-in-aid program directed at improving driver behavior, manages the state's defensive driving program and administers the implied consent program to test drivers suspected of operating under the influence. Much of the funding for the Bureau comes from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and is passed through to local, county and state police agencies.

During 2000, Highway Safety also administered the US Department of Justice grant programs designated to reduce crime and improve the criminal justice system. Those grant programs were transferred to the Commissioner's Office in early 2001.

## **Highway Safety**

The Bureau continued its support of the Maine Crash Reporting System, which allows police officers to use laptop computers to collect traffic crash information. Phase II of that project gives participating departments the ability to analyze crash patterns to better deploy resources. BHS also supported twenty-five grants to local and county police agencies for OUI enforcement efforts, which included roadblocks and special patrols. BHS also assumed administrative responsibility for the NETS (Network of Employers for Traffic Safety) program. NETS works with public and private businesses to promote traffic safety for employees and their families. During the year, 4,392 persons attended defensive driving classes conducted around the state. The course is five hours of classroom instruction emphasizing safe driving and crash avoidance.

### **Criminal Justice Grants**

The Bureau in 2000 administered four grant programs from the US Department of Justice. Those grant programs were transferred to the Commissioner's Office in 2001:

- 1) Edward Byrne Memorial Grant Program (\$3,167,000)
- 2) STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program (\$1M)
- 3) Local Law Enforcement Block Grants (\$388,150)
- 4) Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Programs (\$300,000)

Criminal Justice grants are distributed through the Maine Justice Assistance Council whose members are appointed by the Governor. During 2000, Byrne funds supported projects combating illegal drug trafficking; expanding community policing, promoting crime and violence prevention, improving sex offender management and implementing criminal history records improvements. The STOP Violence Against Women money was awarded to law enforcement agencies, state and local prosecutors and a variety of service providers to enable them to better handle cases of violence against women and improve services to women who are victims of domestic violence. The Local Law Enforcement Block Grants supported training equipment acquisitions at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy and assisted with equipment acquisition for State Police. Residential Substance Abuse Treatment funds supported Department of Corrections programs directed at inmates with acute substance abuse problems.

### **Motor Vehicle Fatal Crashes** Alcohol Involved (1980 to 2000) 157 out of 261 fatals 1980 **60.2** % 1981 60.2 % 127 out of 211 fatals **50.6** % 1982 84 out of 166 fatals 1983 **56.7** % 127 out of 224 fatals 1984 **53.8** % 125 out of 232 fatals 110 out of 206 fatals 1985 **53.4** % **50.5** % 108 out of 214 fatals 1986 49.1 % 114 out of 232 fatals 1987 34.8 % 89 out of 256 fatals (.08 law effective 1988 8/88) 61 out of 190 fatals 1989 32.1 % 81 out of 213 fatals 1990 38.0 % **35.6** % 73 out of 205 fatals 1991 85 out of 214 fatals 39.7 % 1992 74 out of 185 fatals 40.0 % 1993 1994 34.4 % 65 out of 189 fatals 27.1 % 1995 51 out of 188 fatals **32.5** % 55 out of 169 fatals 1996 **32.8** % 63 out of 192 fatals 1997 1998 **26.0** % 50 out of 192 fatals 28.2 % 51 out of 178 fatals 1999 27.2 % 46 out of 169 fatals 2000

The deadliest year on Maine roads was 1971 when 276 persons died, and the safest years in modern times was 1996 & 2000 with 169 deaths each.

Maine Emergency Medical Services 16 Edison Drive Augusta, ME 04330 phone 287-3953 FAX 287-6251

Maine EMS (MEMS) is responsible for the regulation, coordination and oversight of the emergency medical services system. MEMS is also responsible for training, licensing, and patient care standards for EMS providers and personnel. In addition, MEMS oversees the Maine EMS Trauma Plan which directs and monitors the care of seriously ill and injured patients.

MEMS is staffed by six employees and has 24 contracted (non-state) employees in six regional EMS offices. The annual budget is \$1,777,649, and is funded by; general fund: \$1,052,561, EMS for Children grant (federal): \$85,000, Preventive Health Services Block Grant (federal): \$101,952, and license and examination fees: \$70,177

The office licenses 280 services, 400 ambulances and emergency vehicles, and 4,500 individuals. The office conducts annual inspections of all services and vehicles and investigates complaints or violations involving EMS practice. The MEMS staff monitor the delivery of provider training programs and updates curricula to meet concurrent standards.

The bureau began in 1975 as The Office of Emergency Medical Services, established under a federal grant with Medical Care Development, Inc. (a nonprofit health management organization). In 1979, the office became part of the Department of Human Services and was given regulatory authority with an advisory board appointed by the Governor. In 1986, the Board of EMS was changed from an advisory board to a regulatory one. In 1991, MEMS was moved to Public Safety.

During 2000, Maine EMS took a lead role in the development of a training video on youth suicide prevention. This project was funded by a federal EMS for Children grant. In 2001, this project will continue to support the youth suicide prevention program, and will expand to include training for pre-hospital and hospital personnel on assessing pediatric patients.

As a result of a grant from the Bureau of Highway Safety, EMS provided tuition reimbursement to students who successfully completed an ambulance vehicle operator's course. More than 400 students took part in this program (approximately 10% of EMS personnel licensed in Maine).

The EMS Rules were updated during 2000. The EMS Treatment Protocols were revised and republished in November 1999 and are scheduled for an update in 2001.

Bureau of Liquor Enforcement 397 Water St., Gardiner, mailing address - State House Station 87 Augusta, ME 04333, phone 624-8973, FAX 624-8979

The Bureau of Liquor Enforcement is responsible for enforcing the state's liquor laws, issuing liquor licenses and collecting malt and wine taxes. Liquor

Enforcement consists of 29 personnel and operates on an annual budget of \$1,796,813 from the general fund. The bureau, which began in 1933 with the repeal of prohibition, was originally named Division of Liquor Enforcement and Licensing within the State Liquor Commission. In 1972, the enforcement division was placed under the newly created Department of Public Safety and given its present name. In 1993, the licensing and tax division of the State Bureau of Alcoholic Beverages was transferred to the bureau.

The Enforcement Division consists of the director, an assistant director, three sergeants, a training coordinator, thirteen enforcement officers, two clerical and a mechanic position at the State Police garage. Officers conduct inspections of establishments licensed to sell liquor and conduct routine checks to ensure compliance with Maine's liquor laws. The officers, who have full law enforcement powers, work closely with other law enforcement agencies to enforce laws and investigate complaints of underage drinking, fraudulent identification use, furnishing liquor to minors and drunk driving crashes. During 2000, 259 liquor license holders and 78 of their employees were cited, and 183 received warnings for liquor violations. The vast majority of those violations involved illegal sale and consumption or possession of liquor by minors. Liquor Enforcement Officers issued 618 summonses for criminal and civil violations, mostly involving minors. The bureau conducts dozens of "Officer As Agents" programs throughout the year. This program assists stores and restaurants by having an undercover officer pose as an employee or patron to detect and enforce liquor law violations and other crimes.

The Licensing Division with three inspectors and two clerical, works with liquor licensees and new applicants in the issuance of liquor licenses. The Malt and Wine Division has one liquor tax auditor and one clerical position responsible for the collection of liquor taxes which amounted to \$11.5 million in 2000. This division reviews license applications and is responsible for the registration of approximately 10,000 product labels.

The bureau's "BASIC" program provides instruction in liquor laws, false identification, detection of minors and intoxicated persons and preventing liability. Liquor Enforcement trained and issued certificates to 800 wait staff, bartenders and store clerks during 2000. The bureau oversees 20 similar private programs, which are approved by the Commissioner of Public Safety after review by the Maine Alcohol Server Education Advisory Committee.

Liquor Enforcement has been active with the Maine Underage Drinking Task Force and is currently working on pilot projects with the towns of Fort Kent, Old Town/Indian Island, Gardiner and Auburn in an attempt to reduce underage drinking through enforcement efforts and changing community norms.

The bureau is an active member of the National Liquor Law Enforcement Association and will be hosting the group's annual meeting and conference at Sebasco Estates in Phippsburg from September 16-20, 2001.

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The Maine Drug Enforcement Agency (MDEA) is a multi-jurisdictional task force and cornerstone of the state's drug enforcement strategy. Officers are assigned from local, county, state and federal law enforcement agencies. During 2000, 24 agencies assigned personnel to MDEA. In addition, seven Maine National Guard officers were assigned as part of the Guard's counterdrug program to assist the agency with non-law enforcement roles. MDEA conducts drug investigations in collaboration with various law enforcement agencies.

During 2000, MDEA was staffed with a director, an operations commander, six task force supervisors, an asset forfeiture/evidence supervisor, 26 agents, an evidence officer and two secretaries. Except for the director and two secretaries, all other personnel positions are funded through the Edward Byrne Memorial State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance Formula Grant Program. During 2000, the Byrne program reimbursed local communities \$1,382,468 for their officer's services while assigned to MDEA. State funding for MDEA consisted of \$796,833 from the general fund and \$80,000 from drug-related asset forfeiture seizures. MDEA has offices in Augusta, Bangor, Houlton, Lewiston, Lyman and Portland.

MDEA enforcement statistics for 2000:

❖ Received 1,477 reports of suspected drug trafficking

- **❖** Conducted 908 investigations and 247 search warrants resulting in the arrest of 805 persons involving 1,153 crimes
- **❖** Responsible for 54 percent of all drug sale arrests made in the state
- **❖** Assisted other agencies with 2321 investigations resulting in the arrest 191 persons involving 231 crimes
- **❖** Seized drugs with a street value of over 10 million dollars, among them:
  - o 5,817 grams of cocaine
  - o 197 grams of crack cocaine
  - o 517 grams of heroin
  - o 73 grams of methamphetamine
  - o 171 grams of hashish
  - o 873 units of LSD and
  - o 4,563 units of pharmaceuticals
- **❖** Seized 203 firearms (eight that were modified or assault type)
- ❖ Seized sixteen automobiles, and \$489,946 in drug-related currency

MDEA continued the Domestic Cannabis Eradication/Suppression Program aimed at eradicating marijuana grown in Maine. Beginning in late 1999, the program placed greater emphasis on identifying and eradicating marijuana grown indoors. A marijuana grower must start the crop indoors before transplanting the plants outside in June. At this stage of the process, more plants can be eradicated. In 2000, the number of outdoor plants eradicated decreased by 19% over 1999, but the number of indoor plants seized increased by 763%.

**During 2000, MDEA:** 

- ❖ Seized 16,917 plants and 82 pounds of processed marijuana
- **❖** Made 197 state and federal marijuana arrests
- **❖** Seized \$197,221 in drug-related assets and 115 firearms

Emergency Services
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The Emergency Services Communication Bureau (ESCB) oversees the implementation and operation of the statewide Enhanced 9-1-1 (E 9-1-1). Once implemented, E 9-1-1 will allow all telephone users in Maine to dial 911 in an emergency and be connected to the Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) for

their area. E 9-1-1 will provide the PSAP with the name, address and phone number of the caller, and the police, fire and rescue agencies that serve that address.

ESCB operates on an annual budget of \$5,253,705 and includes a staff of five. The funding for the bureau and the actual operation of the system comes from a dedicated interest-bearing account generated from a monthly surcharge on each telephone line in Maine. The surcharge began in 1994 at two cents, increased to 20 cents in 1996 and to 32 cents in 1998. The surcharge was repealed in September 1999 in a sunset provision attached to the original 1997 legislation. The 32-cent surcharge was reinstated in the spring of 2000.

The ESCB began activating Enhanced 9-1-1 in late 2000 and that effort will be completed in August 2001. The service began in York and Oxford counties in late 2000, and by the end of April 2001, Androscogin, Sagadahoc, Lincoln and Knox Counties were also wired for E 9-1-1. Verizon which was awarded the service contract in 1998 was completing the installation.

The ESCB continues to work with the remaining PSAPs finalizing their plans to install the E 9-1-1 technologies and equipment. Support continues with community volunteers who are completing the local addressing effort, a vital step in ensuring the accuracy of E 9-1-1 caller location information. Verizon is working with the state's 28 phone companies to ensure that every telephone number is entered into the E 9-1-1 database with accurate addresses. The Verizon 24-hour PSAP service response center is built and equipped to monitor and detect problems in the system and remotely re-route calls to backup PSAPs.

The Enhanced 9-1-1 effort began in 1986 with a study and Maine voters approved a \$3.2 million dollar bond issue in 1988 for start up of the system. In 1995, the Legislature approved the establishment of the ESCB.

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Capital Security is responsible for security and law enforcement for most state buildings in Augusta, including the State House complex, Augusta Mental Health Institute and the Stevens facility in Hallowell. The bureau also enforces parking regulations in all State House parking lots. Capitol Security consists of a director, sergeant, seven officers, three watch persons and a clerk-typist. Their office is located on the first floor (Room 123) of the State Office Building. The bureau operates on an annual budget of \$549,677 from the general fund.

The bureau was established by the Legislature in 1977 as a branch of

the Department of Public Safety. During the fiscal year of 2000, the bureau processed over 2000 incidents, from dealing with unwanted persons in state offices, responding to building alarms, and finding open windows and unlocked doors at state buildings. Capitol Security investigated 26 automobile accidents in the parking lots and issued over 1800 parking tickets. Officers also provided security for a number of Legislative hearings.

The major event of the year was the complete renovation of the State Office Building, forcing the temporary relocation of 800 employees to various locations around Augusta. The completion of the State House renovations continued in early 2001 causing disruption in parking areas around the two buildings.